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Applicant: Kratky, Z., et al.  
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Title: COMPOSITION FOR AN INFANT FORMULA HAVING A LOW  
THREONINE CONTENT  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please amend Claims 1-20 as follows:

Claims

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1. (Once Amended) A composition for an infant formula comprising a protein source which has a low threonine content and comprising:  
a whey component selected from the group consisting of acid whey protein and sweet whey protein from which caseino-glyco-macropeptide has been removed;  
free arginine;  
free histidine; and  
a component selected from the group consisting of free tyrosine, free tryptophan, tryptophan rich milk protein and mixtures thereof.
  2. (Once Amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the protein source comprises less than about 8g threonine/16g nitrogen.